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City of Lansing Issues Winter Storm Guidance

Residents Reminded to Clear Sidewalks, Remove Vehicles from City Streets to Facilitate Plowing Operations

(LANSING) – The National Weather Service in Grand Rapids is predicting eight to twelve inches of snow for Lansing over the next 24 hours. The City of Lansing urges residents to limit travel while crews clear snow from major roads and local streets. Hazardous conditions may develop due to strong winds causing blowing and drifting snow, so please use extra caution if you must travel.

City winter maintenance crews have commenced salting and plowing operations on bridges, overpasses and major streets. City crews will work continuously throughout the storm to keep major thoroughfares as clear as possible.

Citizens are reminded that city ordinance requires property owners to clear snow and ice from sidewalks adjacent to their property within 24 hours after a winter storm event.

Residents are asked to remove all parked vehicles from all city streets until snow clearing operations are completed in your area. City ordinance prohibits on-street parking from 2 a.m. to 5 a.m., but it will greatly facilitate plowing operations if vehicles are not parked on city streets at any time until these operations are completed. Vehicles parked on city streets that interfere with plowing operations may be ticketed and/or towed at the owner's expense.

Local street plowing operations will begin as soon as major streets are cleared, but it takes several days to plow more than 440 miles of city streets after a major snow storm. Plowing operations on local streets follow the city's established plow routes. A link to the plow route map, and other winter maintenance information, can be viewed online at http://www.lansingmi.gov/snow_ice_information.

Updates on the city's snow clearing operations are also available via the city's Nixle text messaging service. Citizens can sign up for Nixle updates by visiting http://www.nixle.com and subscribing to Lansing Public Service.

City residents can call 2-1-1 for the latest information on warming centers and shelters, or if they need other forms of non-emergency assistance. For emergencies, please call 9-1-1.

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